

CERTIFIED STATEMENT FOR REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED PROCESSING

I, Nina Bell, am the Executive Director of Northwest Environmental Advocates. I am submitting this statement in support of the foregoing request for expedited processing under FOIA. My professional activity includes information dissemination to the public. In particular, my duties include writing, editing, overseeing and disseminating newsletters, news releases, reports, action alerts, blog posts on NWEA's website, and other communications regarding NWEA's work to members of the news media, NWEA members, activists, other non-profit organizations, local governments, and the general public. There is a particular urgency to inform the public about the governmental activity in the foregoing FOIA request beyond the public's right to know about government activity generally. This urgency is explained in the FOIA request, which I incorporate by reference in this statement as if fully repeated here. In particular, EPA and NOAA will be issuing for public comment on or about November 15, 2013, pursuant to federal settlement agreement, a proposed approval or disapproval action on Oregon's Coastal Nonpoint Pollution Control Program. NWEA intends to assist itself, its members, activists, other non-profit organizations, local governments, and the general public in commenting on the proposed action during the public comment period.

I certify this statement to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nina Bell", with a stylized, flowing script.

Dated this day, the 14th of August, 2013.

Nina Bell